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New Faces in Congress

Margaret Chase Smith to Go to Senate Backed by Record Maine Majorities

Mrs. Margaret Chase Smith, Republican of Maine, comes to the Senate in January as the first woman ever elected to a full Senate term without having first been appointed to the upper branch of Congress.



SENATOR-ELECT SMITH.

But the present House member's achievement goes far beyond this historical "first." Her's was a personal triumph, topping an already notable career, in winning the place being vacated by Senate Republican floor leader Wallace H. White, Jr.

In the June Republican primary in Maine, she gave three male contenders, including the governor and a former governor, their worst beatings. Mrs. Smith not only rolled up a clear majority, but had more than double the vote of her closest opponent.

In solidly Republican Maine, her victory in the general elections there in September was no surprise but in nailing down her right to the Senate seat she won the biggest majority in the State's history.

Mrs. Smith, who will be 50 next month, won her primary fight by expenditure of a lot of effort in going out to meet the people of Maine, but using only \$7,400 of campaign funds. Her highest spending opponent in the primary, former Governor Sumner Sewall—who ran a poor third—reported spending \$22,500.

Mrs. Smith, who won a wide reputation in her previous eight-year service in the House, had a varied career before going to Congress. She had served as a 5-and-10-cent store clerk, a school teacher, telephone operator, circulation manager of her home-town paper, the Skowhegan Independent Reporter, and as treasurer of a woolen mill, before getting into politics.

When her husband, Representative Clyde H. Smith, died, she was elected to his seat in the House in a special election and later won re-election on her own record. Unlike most Republicans in the House, she consistently supported the Reciprocal Trade Act and departed from the party stand also on numerous price control amendments in 1946. She voted against the Smith-Connally Act and the Case labor bill but was for the Taft-Hartley Act. She favored the Taft-Elliender-Wagner housing bill and Federal aid to education. She served on the House Naval Affairs Committee and its successor, the Armed Services Committee. During the war she visited battle

2 Marines Hurt as Car Hits Truck Near Woodbridge

Two Marines were injured early yesterday when their automobile crashed into the rear of a truck on Route 1 near Woodbridge, Va.

The victims are Lt. D. J. Krohn, 21, the driver, and Pfc. Daniel Bagan, 28.

State police said Lt. Krohn, who is stationed at Camp Lejeune, N. C., was injured critically. Both men were taken to the Marine Hospital at Quantico.

Pvt. Bagan is stationed at Quantico, police said. A trooper reported that he had been unable to establish why the automobile rammed the truck. Both vehicles were southbound.

Company D Entertains At Open House and Party
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Lawyers to Hear Carson
Commissioner Joseph K. Carson, Jr., of the United States Maritime Commission, will speak on "The United States Merchant Marine and Its International Implications" before the United Nations League of Lawyers at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Army and Navy Club, Farragut square and I street N.W.

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